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By the Way

when you want really reliable Groceries of the best quality, leave your order here, and it will be attended to to your full satisfaction both in the matter of prompt delivery and excellence of quality. We carry all the standard goods but none that we cannot guarantee. Give us a trial order, then you will find out why our Grocery store is so popular with particular people.



Phone 197.

KEEP YOUR EYE ON OUR WINDOWS. COOPER'S GROCERY.

JIM HARMON, Manager.

Miss Zella Wright is in Erie, Kans., attending a house party.

Fred Stallsmith and daughter, Elizabeth Ellen, of Miami, spent Sunday in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Grobecker of Muskogee, Okla., spent Christmas with relatives in this city.

Mrs. Homer Michener and Mrs. Chas. Johns shopped in Joplin one day last week.

The Los Angeles Times prints a picture of Miss Electa Felt, a former Baxter Springs girl, and mentions her as a popular soprano of that city.

Will buy or trade for a good work mare. J. R. Watson.

Mrs. Buford Price and son, Stanley, of Chetopa are here visiting relatives.

Harvey Silence of Tulsa, Okla., is here visiting his mother, Mrs. J. B. Brown.

Geo. Schnebley of Pittsburg spent Christmas in this city with relatives and friends.

Sam King returned to Baxter Tuesday morning. Mrs. King is still down and Idabel, Okla. Sam will return to Idabel in about a week.

We have a

Full Car Load Stoves

THAT MUST BE SOLD BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS.

We have heating stoves from \$2.50 to \$33.00, and cook stoves and ranges from \$16.00 to \$45.00. We have the best stovepipe and elbows you ever saw at 10c. It is not junk. The Rullman and Vacuum Washing Machines, that a ten-year-old child can operate. And 10,000 other things that are kept in a first class hardware store.

Yours for business,

E. M. MICHENER.

Miss Norma Baldwin of Joplin was in Baxter to visit home folks last week.

Ray Fuller of Columbus visited in Baxter over Christmas with his cousin, Alva Callis.

The funeral of Mrs. Ruth Cooper was held last Sunday afternoon and was conducted by Chas. F. Parham. The attendance was quite large.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Treece had business in Marble City, Okla., the first of the week.

Miss Laura Armstrong came home from Webb City to spend Christmas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Chambers of Talala, Okla., spent Christmas here with Mrs. Chambers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Thomas.

We are using this space this week to wish our many customers

A Happy New Year and Prosperous 1915

Our business for the past year has been a great success, and we wish to thank you very kindly for the part you have taken in making it so. And if our goods and service have been satisfactory to you, we wish you to remember us in future.

People's Grocery.

T. P. LEWIS.

Henry Patterson Dead.

Henry Patterson, a young colored man, aged about thirty years, died at the home of his mother, Mrs. Delilah Patterson, in the west part of the city, on Monday morning. He had been ill for some time, and his death was expected.

Henry, better known as "Happy," was a good sort of fellow. He was never loud like many young fellows; he always attended to his own business; he was a kind son; he was honest, and he was really a good citizen. He worked in this office for a long time, and we had a good chance to study him. He was fairly well educated, and was a great reader.

After 44 Years.

Geo. W. Peterson left Sunday morning for Rush county, Kansas to visit his sister, Mrs. Kate Kramer, whom he has not seen for more than 44 years. He left with the intention of making her mad before disclosing his identity. He says she has red hair, and he felt sure he could get ordered off the place. If Pete is lucky he may get away with it, all right, but we would be afraid of a dog or hot water. Mrs. Kramer is a widow and quite well-to-do.

Why Not?

A suggestion has been made that a provident association be formed in this city, and that the business men all join it. This is a good suggestion, and if such an organization is effected, then the members will be free from the solicitations of everyone who comes along. All aid would be dispensed by the proper committee of the association, and all cases would be investigated. Members of the association would contribute a stated amount each month, and there would be a regular system.

Safety First.

Always keeping abreast of the times in all matters pertaining to good, safe banking, The Baxter State Bank has installed a "Protectograph Check and Draft Writer." This machine prints the amount of the check or draft in different colors of ink, and makes it impossible for a check or draft written with it to be raised. You are invited to call at the bank and see it.

An American Coat.

Perhaps, ladies, you are planning to have a new winter coat after the holiday rush has passed. Be sure, then, to read the illustrated description in the latest and most sensible design, as given by Julia Bottomley, style expert, in this issue of The News.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank those kind friends and neighbors who so ably assisted us and sympathized with us during the illness, death and burial of our beloved wife and mother.

Alex. Slaughter
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Slaughter.

28 Baskets.

The Good Fellows Club distributed 28 baskets of provisions to the worthy poor the day before Christmas. Each basket contained a goodly supply of wholesome food, and some candy for the children.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hutchinson, and son, Harold, Jr., of Pueblo, Colo., arrived Tuesday morning to visit Mrs. Hutchinson's mother, Mrs. D. S. Chubb.

Will You Help Us Solve This Murder Mystery?

Strong rumors coming indirectly from the County Attorney's office say that the Etheridge murder case, which stirred the entire community so deeply some time ago and for which John Scoville paid the death penalty, is to be reopened. It is reported several pieces of startling evidence were turned up last week in Dark Hollow, near Shelby, the scene of the crime, by a company of boy scouts.

What the nature of this evidence is, The News is not at liberty to say. Who the discoverers of the new evidence are—if there is any really new evidence—is being kept secret for the present. A strange, middle-aged woman has been seen going into the office of County Attorney Boss several times in the last few days. She is said to have something to do with the case.

It is believed by some of those connected with the courthouse that a special grand jury will be called to investigate this bloody mystery, which was thought to be closed with Scoville's execution more than a year ago.

The News has a "tip" that some startling news connected with the case will come to light within forty-eight hours. It is a subject in which the entire county should take a personal interest, for it is possible a terrible injustice has been done an innocent man and his family. If you know or hear of any facts connected with the Etheridge case which you think this paper does not know, you will confer a favor by giving us the information. Your confidence will be respected. The News wants to help solve the mystery and secure justice. We will publish some developments next week which we are not permitted to mention at this time for fear of complications with the grand jury.

Christmas Festivities

Mr. and Mrs. John Opperman entertained Christmas day in a manner most pleasing, especially to the inner man.

A sumptuous repast was served in the afternoon, after which the large and well-loaded Christmas tree was unmasked, and presents galore were distributed to the guests, and there was not a person present but what will remember the event with pleasure for many moons.

Those present on this occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Morris Doty, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watts of Kansas City, Mrs. Beatrice Humphrey, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Brewster, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Opperman, Morris Opperman, Marguerite Opperman, John Opperman, Jr., Miss Helen Humphrey and Grace Opperman, and G. W. Peterson.

Mrs. Neprasch Dead

Mrs. Anna Neprasch, aged 56 years, died on last Thursday after a long illness. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon, and interment was made in Baxter cemetery.

Card of Thanks.

We want to thank our many kind friends and neighbors for their kind assistance in the recent illness and demise of our mother.

Emil Neprasch
Victor Neprasch.
George Neprasch

Special Prices on Toys For the Next Few Days.

We have had a wonderful Christmas business up to date—in fact so great that we had almost run out of candy, but we are glad to announce that another shipment has just arrived, which we are selling at our usual low price of 5c a pound and up. We are going to

RE-MARK A GREATER PART OF OUR TOYS

that are now on hands and

PUT PRICES ON THEM THAT WILL MAKE THEM SELL

as we do not want to carry over any more toys than is absolutely necessary. Our stock that is left over will be left on display until after New Years, so as to give those a chance to return gifts received from unexpected sources. Remember,

LOW PRICES ON TOYS

from now until after New Years.

J. W. Grantham.

Headquarters for Holiday Goods.

THE "PRUDENT" YOUNG MAN BEGINS THE YEAR RIGHT HE STARTS A BANK ACCOUNT



Young Man—just stop a moment and THINK! You cannot SPEND your money and HAVE it too.

Resolve to QUIT your foolish extravagance and to save the money you earn with your labor or in your business. The one and ONLY way to get ahead in life is to regularly put money in the bank and let it STAY there and not be tempted to invest in disastrous GET-RICH-QUICK speculation.

Make OUR bank YOUR bank. We pay interest on time deposits.

OUR BANK IS A MEMBER OF THE U. S. REGIONAL BANK SYSTEM.

The Baxter National Bank.

The Best Way

There is nothing complicated about doing business at a bank. It's simple, safe, and convenient.

Deposit your money with us. We give you credit for all money deposited with us, give you a check book and whenever funds are needed all you have to do is to write a check and the money is ready for you. In the meantime you can rest assured your money is safe in our fire proof vault. It's the modern way because it's the best way to handle your money.

OURS IS THE ONLY BANK IN BAXTER SPRINGS IN WHICH DEPOSITS ARE GUARANTEED.

The Baxter State Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ballard and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Ballard of Route 5, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Rucker in this city.

Kansas has in 8,870,000 acres of wheat. Of this stupendous amount Cherokee county has 73,051 acres. The total acreage of the state is about two per cent less than last year.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Willsey of Ft. Scott, Kans., were here to eat Christmas dinner with Mrs. Willsey's aunt, Mrs. B. W. Patton.

Wanted—Men who desire to earn over \$125.00 per month, write us today for position as salesman: every opportunity for advancement. Central Petroleum Co., Cleveland, Ohio.